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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of:

**Jongsma, et al.**

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For: **Method For Plant Protection Against Insects Or Nematodes**

**RESPONSE (WITH AMENDMENTS) TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

The outstanding Final Office Action mailed *February 11, 2003* (Paper No. 22) has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please enter the following amendments in which claims 8, 10-13, 24, 28-33 and 37-39 are amended and claims 1-7, 16, 19-23, and 25-26 are canceled. Claims 8, 10-14, 17-18, 24, and 27-39 are now pending in the present application. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and presently pending claims, as amended, are respectfully requested.

**AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT**

It is believed that no extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 20-0778.

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